At present there are no certified small growers in the organic tea sector. However, Tea Board's training programmes for development of organic tea cultivation will also cover small growers in due course.

Ban on Indian meat

4264. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian meat has been banned by Egypt. Jordan, Kuwait and other countries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government have taken or propose to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) to (b) Presently there is no ban on import of Indian meat by Egypt, Jordan and Kuwait. However no exports are taking place to Indonesia, South Africa and Saudi Arabia which are insisting on import only from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free Area.

(c) Government continues its efforts to appropriately advise the concerned authorities of the major importing countries in this regard.

Trade links between India and Canada

4265. SHRI KALRAJMISHRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Canadian Trade Delegation has visited India recently and held discussions with him;

(b) if so, the details of points discussed by the delegation;

(c)whether trade links between both the countries have further improved;

(d) if so, to what extent; and

(e) the benefits likely to accrue to India with Canadian firms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. Mr. pierre Pettigrew, Canadian Minister for International Trade accompanied by a large